REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The City Council of the City of Las Animas, County of Bent, State of Colorado, met in regular session in the City Council chambers on Tuesday, November 15, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. The City Council meeting was in person and on Facebook live. There being present at roll call were the following members:

Mayor:

Scott Peterson

Council members:

Joseph Frazier Andrew Montoya Cassandra Siefkas Robert Smith Troy Abdulla

Absent:

Lynette Wolfe

Youth Advisor:

Grace Gardner

Mayor Scott Peterson declared a quorum present.

Others Present:

Brandon Dittman:

City Attorney (by zoom)

Ronald Clodfelter:

Superintendent of Light & Power

Roy Davis:

Interim Public Works Director

Richard Gallegos: Charmaine Tripp:

Deputy City Clerk
City Clerk & Treasurer

Lynn Wright:

Las Animas Light & Power

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Scott Peterson led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Councilman Troy Abdulla moved, Councilman Andrew Montoya seconded to approve the Consent Agenda including the Regular Minutes of the October 11, 2022 meeting, the Special Call Minutes of October 27, 2022 and the October 2022 vouchers. On a voice vote, Mayor Scott Peterson declared the Motion carried.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

a. Mark Hornberger, GMS Engineering

Mayor Scott Peterson recognized Mark Hornberger from GMS Engineering. Mr. Hornberger gave an overview of the sewer improvement project with Gardner Excavating. Mr. Hornberger stated that the project has resumed and is on schedule to done by spring. A representative will be at the December 13, 2022 Council meeting to give another update.

SIGNING OF THE PROCLAMATION FOR ARKANSAS VALLEY HOSPICE, INC.

Mayor Scott Peterson ask Mrs. JoEllen Netherton from the Arkansas Valley Hospice, Inc. to read the proclamation to the City Councilors. After the Proclamation was read, Mayor Scott Peterson signed the document. Mayor Peterson thanked Ms. Anita Potter, Mrs. JoEllen Netherton and Mrs. Nancy Long for their service to the Arkansas Valley Hospice, Inc.

JOINT BUDGET WORK SESSION SCHEDULED WITH THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ON NOVEMBER 29, 2022 AT 5:00 P.M.

Mayor Scott Peterson scheduled a joint budget work session with the County Commissioners on November 29, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

RESOLUTION NO. 25-22, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO APPROVING A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS AND THE LAS ANIMAS/BENT COUNTY PUBLIC GOLF COURSE INC. FOR LEASE OF THE LAS ANIMAS CITY GOLF COURSE

Councilman Robert Smith moved, Councilman Andrew Montoya seconded to table Resolution No. 25-22, a resolution of the City of Las Animas, Colorado approving a lease agreement between the City of Las Animas and the Las Animas/Bent County Public Golf Course Inc. for lease of the Las Animas City Golf Course until the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting on December 13, 2022. On a voice vote, Mayor Peterson declared the Motion carried.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO, APPROPRIATING SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES OF THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO FOR THE CITY'S FISCAL YEAR STARTING JANUARY 1, 2023 AND ENDING ON THE LAST DAY OF DECEMBER 2023

Councilman Robert Smith moved, Councilman Andrew Montoya seconded to pass on first reading AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO, APPROPRIATING SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES OF THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO FOR THE CITY'S FISCAL YEAR STARTING JANUARY 1, 2023 AND ENDING ON THE LAST DAY OF DECEMBER 2023. On a voice vote, Mayor Scott Peterson declared the Motion carried.

RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS BOARD FOR THE APPROVAL OF ½ OF THE COST OF THE DRIVEWAY PANS AND CURB & GUTTER REPAIRS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,752.50 FOR THE SCEDD HOUSING PROJECT

Councilman Robert Smith moved, Councilman Troy Abdulla seconded to approve the cost of the driveway pans and curb & gutter repairs in the amount of \$17,752.50 for the SCEDD housing project. On a voice vote, Mayor Scott Peterson declared the Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF STREET CLOSURES FOR THE SANTA VILLAGE EVENT ON DECEMBER 10, 2022

Councilman Joseph Frazier moved, Councilman Robert Smith seconded to approve the closure of Carson Ave from Fifth to Sixth Street during the Santa Village Even on December 10, 2022 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. On a voice vote, Mayor Scott Peterson declared the Motion carried.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO AMENDING CHAPTER 7, ARTICLE VI, SECTIONS 7-40 THROUGHT 7-47 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS CONCERNING VACANT PROPERTY/BUILDING REGISTRATION

Councilman Robert Smith moved, Councilman Joseph Smith seconded to table AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO AMENDING CHAPTER 7, ARTICLE VI, SECTIONS 7-40 THROUGHT 7-47 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS CONCERNING VACANT PROPERTY/BUILDING REGISTRATION until the December 13, 2022 regular City Council meeting. On a voice vote, Mayor Scott Peterson declared the Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Robert Smith moved, Councilman Andrew Montoya seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. On a voice vote, Mayor Scott Peterson declared the Motion carried

NEW BUSINESS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Scott Peterson adjourned the meeting at 8:43 p.m.

Charmaine D. Tripp City Clerk & Treasurer

ATTEST: Scott Peterson, Mayor